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This electronic newsletter is designed to keep you current on issues affecting the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

An opportunity to ask questions about Delta levee projects

The Delta Conservancy will provide an overview of levee projects and habitat restoration in the Delta and Suisun Marsh on Wednesday, Nov. 14, in Courtland. It is an opportunity to meet the people from agencies and organizations working on projects in the areas. The evening will include an open forum for face-to-face questions. A conservancy flier has details on the meeting.



DWR releases Delta integrated flood management report

DWR has released the <u>Final Background-Reference Memorandum: Delta Region</u>
<u>Integrated Flood Management – Key Considerations and Statewide Implications</u>. The report provides information about the state interests in the Delta, a history of the levee system and programs that are available to support flood management on Delta islands. There is also information that may be used in making decisions about funding Delta levee projects.

Paper looks at 40 years of research into Delta, San Francisco Bay

The <u>American Geophysical Union</u> has published a paper that looks at some of the studies done during the last 40 years on the ecosystems of the Delta and San Francisco Bay. <u>Drivers of Change in Estuarine-Coastal Ecosystems: Discoveries from Four Decades of Study in San Francisco Bay</u> by James E. Cloern and Alan D. Jassby, details the findings of the studies and why it is important to continue conducting research.

River restoration is on agenda for brown bag event

The Delta Science Program and <u>Ecosystem Restoration Program</u> are teaming up for a brown bag event on a new conceptual framework for large river restoration. John Nestler will explain how physical and chemical processes are linked to important life stages of plants, fish and other animals. The presentation will be Tuesday, Oct. 30, in Sacramento. Details and contact information are available <u>here</u>.

Guidelines released for \$5 million in flood management funding

DWR has released its final <u>Guidelines for Directed Funding to Prepare Regional Flood Management Plans</u>. The guidelines will be used to award up to \$5 million to help local agencies develop regional flood management plans. The applications should include specific actions, priorities and financing plans that are consistent with the <u>2012 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan</u>.

Looking into the Central Valley's salinity issues

The <u>Central Valley Salinity and Nitrate Conference</u> will be Nov. 15 and 16, in Sacramento. It will <u>feature details</u> on advances in salinity treatment and management research, with a focus on how they affect California's Central Valley. Online <u>registration</u> is available on the conference website.



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